



The **Youth Election Service** program began in 2004 when the Nebraska Secretary of State's Office partnered with the Nebraska Bankers Association to increase interest and involvement of Nebraska youth in the election process. The **YES** program awards \$50 dollar savings bonds to ten youth following their Election Day service at the Primary and General Elections.

The Secretary of State's Office asks County Clerks and Election Commissioners to submit the names of youth, aged 14 through 18, who worked or volunteered at least 4 hours on Election Day as poll workers and/or staff assistants.

Entries containing the youth's name, address, date of birth and social security number should be e-mailed, faxed or mailed to the Nebraska Secretary of State's Office within two weeks following the election. Late entries will not be included in the savings bond drawing.

The submitted names of the **Youth Election Service** workers will be divided into five groups, corresponding with the Nebraska Association of County Officials' statewide district organization: Northeast, Southeast, Central, West Central and Panhandle. Random drawings will take place; two names will be drawn from each of the five NACO districts. The drawings will take place at the State Capitol where Secretary of State Gale will draw the names of the winners of the savings bonds.

The names of winners will be provided to the Nebraska Bankers Association, which will purchase the savings bonds. Recipients of the savings bonds will be informed of their selection and pending arrival of their bond by mail. In addition, each youth election worker will receive a letter of commendation for service from Nebraska Secretary of State John Gale encouraging continued involvement in the election process. The names of those participating in **Youth Election Service** program will be submitted to the news media.

<b>October 19, 2008</b>	Election Officials have poll workers in place per state statute.
<b>November 4, 2008</b>	Election Day.
<b>November 18, 2008</b>	Last day to receive youth election worker names.
<b>November 25, 2008</b>	Drawing at State Capitol.
<b>December 2, 2008</b>	Notification letter from Secretary of State's Office.
<b>December 9, 2008</b>	Bonds sent to recipients.

